



I JUST
THOUGHT
THAT I'D
NEVER
ACTUALLY
END UP
USING IT...

I
POS-
SESSED
AN
AFFINITY
FOR
MAGIC.

THAT IS, UNTIL I MET HIM...

ハアアアア...







...
ARE
THE DAYS
WHEN MY
HEART, AILING
FROM RE-
SEARCHING
CURSES, IS
WASHED
...

YEAH
...

I
WAS
JUST
...

IS
SOME-
THING
WRONG,
TEKO-
SAN?

...
NO

...
REMINISCING
ABOUT A
CERTAIN
PERSON

...
SHOULD I
...

TELL
YOU
A LITTLE
STORY
ABOUT MY
PAST?

IT
ALWAYS
HAPPENS
ON RAINY
DAYS.

IT WAS RAINING THAT DAY TOO...

ハアアア...



HEY!

IS ANYONE FROM THE NELSON-FAMILY AT HOME?



WHAT DO YOU WANT SO LATE AT NIGHT?

SENT-
RIES?

... W-WHAT IS IT?



EH?

OH ...
YES?



SORRY TO DISTURB!

IS THERE A GIRL WITH THE NAME IKKO NELSON HERE?



HAS OUR DAUGHTER...

WHAT DO YOU WANT?

W-WAIT!

YOU'RE COMING WITH US.



THE CURSE-LIFTER HAS SUMMONED HER.



IT ALL
ROTS AWAY
THAT IS THE
CURSE THAT
LAYS UPON
THIS LAND.

NOTHING
GROWS IN
THIS LAND.

THE RAIN
CAUSED
PLANTS TO
WITHER
AND
PEOPLE TO
FALL
ILL.

BLACK
RAIN...
CURSED
RAIN.

IKKO, RIGHT?
I REALLY HATE TO
ASK YOU TO DO
THIS FOR THE
COUNTRY.

NO, I
MEAN
...

I'M
SO
CHILD
SORRY,
...

WILL BE
CARRIED OUT
TOMORROW
ONCE THE
MIDWY BELL
RINGS.

OUR
GREATEST
DESIRE,
THE LIFTING
OF THIS
CURSE.

HE
IS IN
HERE.
THIS
IS AS
FAR AS
WE CAN
ACCOM-
PANY
YOU.

EVERY-
ONE
WHO
LIVES
HERE
KNOWS
HOW
MUCH
THIS
CURSE
HAS
HURT
US.

NOT
AT
ALL.

THE
CURSE-
LIFTER'S
FINAL... OR
RATHER, HIS
ONLY DEMAND.

GIRL,
GRABING
YOU HERE
WAS

WE'RE
COUNTING ON
YOU,
IKKO-SAN.

SO
YOU'VE
COME.



WEL-
COME,

IKKO-
SAN.



WELL
DON'T JUST
STAND THERE
STARING. CLOSE
THE DOOR...



...
FOR-
GIVE
ME.

WE'RE
COUNTING ON
YOU,
IKKO-SAN.

PITIFUL
GIRL,
WHO WAS
CHOSEN

TO
CONSOLE
THIS DIS-
GUSTING
MAN.



HMM...



I AM ICKO,
HERE AS
YOU
REQUESTED

IT'S A
PLEASURE
TO MEET
YOU



LET'S SEE...
WHY DON'T I TELL
YOU ABOUT MY
PAST

THE
NIGHT IS
STILL
YOUNG.

WELL,
SIT
DOWN.



IS
OBVIOUSLY
NOT A
NATURAL
PHENOMENON
IT'S
BEEN
ARTIFICIALLY
CREATED.

THIS
BLACK
RAIN.

YOU'VE
FELT ITS
DEVASTATING
EFFECTS TOO,
HAVEN'T
YOU?

THIS
BLACK
RAIN...

THE
RAIN OF
DEATH
THAT
STILL
FALLS
UPON
THIS
COUNTRY..

IT'S A
SHILLY
LITTLE
STORY.

BY A
TERRIBLE
CURSE.

OH YES I
HAVE

WAS
ONCE RULED
BY A
DIFFERENT
FAMILY.

THIS
LAND..

SO,
WHO
CAST
THAT
CURSE?

THIS
COUNTRY WAS
UNFORTU-
NATE.

HOW-
EVER,

THEY WERE
SHAMANS WHO
SPECIALIZED IN
CURSES.

NOT
ONLY
THAT..

THE
OLD
RUL-
ERS..

WERE
A FAMILY
OF MAGI-
CIANS.

THIS
WORLD
USED
TO BE
IN A
CON-
STANT
STATE
OF WAR..

SO
THIS
SORT
OF
THING
HAD-
PENED
ALL THE
TIME.

BUT THE
CURRENT
ROYAL FAMILY,
WANTING
FERTILE LAND,
INVADED AND
CONQUERED
THIS COUNTRY.

THE HEAD OF
THE FAMILY REALIZED
THAT THEY WERE GOING
TO LOSE, SO HE CAST A
CURSE OVER
THE LAND.

BUT EVENTUALLY THE CURSE TOOK HOLD OVER THE LAND.

AS IF IT WAS TRYING TO PREVENT THE
CREATION OF A RICH COUNTRY..

THE RAIN BEGAN TO FALL.

THE CURSE
WAS IMMENSE. IT
COST HIM HIS LIFE.

IT TOOK
MANY YEARS.



THE
BLACK RAIN
THAT CAUSES
EVERYTHING TO
WITHER AND
DIE.



THE
CASTER
WILL DIE
AS
WELL.

THE TWO
FORCES WILL
BRODE AWAY AT
BACH OTHER AND DISAP-
PEAR...SUCH A
POWERFUL
CURSE WILL
BRODE AWAY
ANYTHING.

TOMORROW,
I WILL CAST
ANOTHER
CURSE JUST
LIKE THE ONE
THAT HAS
TORMENTED
THIS LAND.

CAN
ONLY BE
LIFTED AT THE
COST OF
ONE'S
LIFE.

THIS
IMMENSE-
LY POWER-
FUL
CURSE...



IT
SEEMS THE
TIME HAS
COME FOR
ME TO PAY
MY TAXES.

I'M
REALLY
GLAD-
DED

IN
THE
TOP OF A
TALL
TOWER

AND
ABOVE ALL,
MY BODY IS
IN TATTERS
FROM THE
MAGIC I'VE
USED

THEN,
MISTED
CURSE-
LIFTER...
DOES
THAT
MEAN...

I WISH
I COULD
HAVE RUN
AWAY, LIKE
I HAVE
BEFORE,
BUT...





PEOPLE
HAVE ASKED
ME TO CURSE ALL
SORTS OF PEOPLE,
AND I GLADLY
DID SO.

WHAT
I DID WAS
FAR WORSE
THAN SIMPLY
KILLING
THEM.

THEY
WITHERED
IN
CONTINU-
OUS,
NEVER-
ENDING
PAIN...

UNTIL
THE DAY
THEIR
BODIES
FINALLY
GAVE IN

AND
NOT JUST
SPOILED,
RICH
FAMILIES
...

AND
ALL ITS
DESCEN-
DANTS

AND
EVEN A
COUNTRY'S
ROYAL
FAMILY
...

BUT
POOR
PEOPLE
TOO

HEH
HEH
...

I EVEN
PERSON-
ALLY
CURSED
...

THE
PRINCE,
WHO WAS
BUT ONLY A
CHILD.





WITH
SUCH A
HORRIBLE
MAN,
IKKO?

YOU
ARE
STANDING
FACE TO
FACE
...

ARE
YOU
SCARED
?!

ARE
YOU
DISGUSTED
?!



NO
WOMAN
COULD
EVER LOOK
PAST
MY HORRIBLE
DEEDS AND
ACCEPT ME!



READ
ME!
I STILL
WON'T
LET YOU
GO!



AND
THAT IS
WHY I HAD
THEM
SUMMON
YOU!

NOW
RESENT
ME!



HIIA P P P P



HAVING
TO TEND TO
THAT GUY..



IT'S
FOR THE
SAKE OF
THE COUN-
TRY.

THERE
WAS NO
CHOICE



WE'VE
BEEN
FORCED TO
DO A
REALLY
CRUEL
THING

AND
SHE'S
STILL SO
YOUNG,
TOO..



I
SEE



SHE
JUST HAS TO
ENDURE IT..



WHY DID
HE CHOOSE IKKO
NELSON?

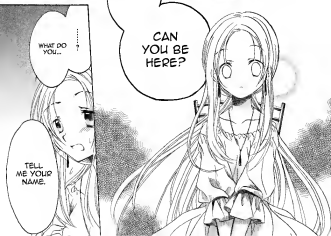
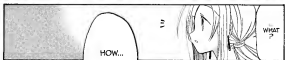


WHY
WOULD
HE
CHOOSE
THAT
GIRL?

BUT
THERE'S
ONE
THING
THAT
BOthers
ME..

LOOK-
ING AT
HER RE-
ACTION,
I DOUBT
THEY
WERE LOVERS
OR ANY-
THING
LIKE THAT..





YOUR
FULL
NAME.

IKKO

IKKO
NELSON...



HAHAHA-
HAHA-
HA!!



YES...? WHAT
ABOUT IT?

HEH

HEH
HEH
HEH



NELSON?

DID YOU
JUST
SAY,
NELSON?



!!?

I'M
LAUGHING AT
YOUR
MISFORTUNE!!
DO
YOU
GET IT?

UN...



IKKO
ILSON!!

THE
NAME I
GAVE THEM
WAS
"ILSON!"



JUST TO
FULFIL THE
DESIRES OF
A MAN
DETESTED
BY
EVERYONE!

YOU WERE
BROUGHT
HERE BY
MISTAKE!

CAN YOU
BELIEVE
YOUR
LUCK?



HAAH

HAAH

HA



I JUST
GAVE THEM
AN ADDITDADY,
MADE-UP
NAME...



AND I DIDN'T
EVEN ASK FOR "NELSON".
I ASKED FOR "ELSON".

THEY JUST
KEPT NAGGING ME
ABOUT GRANTING
ME ONE LAST
WISH.



THAT'S
RIGHT...

NOBODY
SHOULD
HAVE
COME
HERE...



HAVE
FOUND
ANYONE...

THEY
SHOULD
N'T.



WOULD
HAVE SPENT MY
FINAL NIGHT
ALONE AND
THEN DIED...

AND
I...

I'VE
ALWAYS
BEEN ALONE,
AFTER
ALL
...



I MAY
NOT BE
WHO YOU
ASKED
FOR...



I MAY
JUST BE
"NELSON"
AND NOT
"ILSON",
BUT...





I CAN
BE YOUR
FRIEND.



I'D LIKE TO
KNOW MORE
ABOUT YOU.

WE STILL
HAVE PLENTY
OF TIME.

AS...
AS IF
YOU CAN
JUST BECOME
FRIENDS THAT
EASILY?

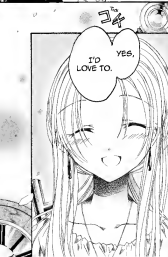


ALRIGHT?

HE
BEGAN
TELLING ME
ABOUT
HIMSELF.

...AND
SO...

LITTLE BY
LITTLE...



THAT WAS SUCH A WONDROUS TIME.

IT SEEMED SO LONG,

YET SO BRIEF.

WE TOLD EACH OTHER ABOUT OURSELVES.

ABOUT OUR FAMILIES, OUR FRIENDS.

ABOUT THE HARDSHIPS WE HAD FACED IN THE PAST.

ABOUT OUR FAVORITE FOODS.

IT TURNED OUT WE BOTH ABSOLUTELY LOVED MARSHMALLOWS.

WE BOTH LAUGHED.

WE LAUGHED TOGETHER.

THE CLOCK CONTINUED TICKING SILENTLY AS THE HOURS WENT BY.







I GOT YEAH,
ALL THESE WOUNDS
AS THE
PRICE FOR
CASTING
MY
CLOSED,
SO I HAD
MY FACE.

YOU
MUST BE
BORED
I'LL
COVER
IT UP
AGA

AH..

NOT BE
ALL



AND THAT'S
WHAT YOU
REALLY
LOOK LIKE,
SHA-
MEN-SAN.



I WANT TO KEEP
LOOKING AT IT.



MY REAL
EYES ARE
PRETTY MUCH
BLIND.

THESE
BANDAGES ARE
ACTUALLY A
TOOL FOR ME...
THEY HELP ME
SEE.

I WANT TO
SEE YOUR
FACE TOO.



CLOSED



WELL
THEN, LOOK
CLOSER.



SHAMAN-SAN...

I STILL DON'T KNOW YOUR NAME.

MY NAME, HUH?

IT'S AN ILL-FORTUNED NAME...
YOU'RE BETTER OFF NOT HEARING IT.

NO...

THAT'S NOT TRUE.

ANYWAY...

WHAT?

I'M GLAD YOU
ARE IKKO
NELSON.









THAT WAS
CAST ON THIS
LAND SO LONG
AGO...

THE
WAST
CURSE

HE'S
LIFTING THE
CURSE
RIGHT NOW.



THE MIDDAY
BELL!



...CRY.



I'M SO
VERY SAD
AND YET..



I'M SAD..



IF I
DON'T
CRY
NOW,
WHEN
WILL I?

I
PROM-
ISED HIM..

THAT
I'D CRY
FOR HIM..





I KNOW...

THIS IS
THE RAIN HE
MADE FALL.



HEY,
WHAT IS
SHE
DOING?

SHE
CAN'T
BE
RIGHT
IN THE
HEAD.
WALKING
OUT IN
THE
RAIN...



PLEASE
CRY FOR ME.

THANK YOU,
IKKO.

18
11

YEAH.

CAN
YOU
SEE
ME...?

I
AM...

I'M
CRYING
FOR
YOU...

18
11

18
11



THANK
YOU...



IT'S
NOT
BLACK!

AND SO,
AT THE FINAL
TOLL OF THE
BELL...

YOU'RE
RIGHT...

COULD
THIS
RAIN
BE...

...HEY



THE
CURSE
HAS BEEN
LIFTED!

THE PEOPLE
REALIZED THAT
THE RAIN WAS
NO LONGER
CURSED

THE
CURSE



WE'RE
SAVED!!

NOW THE
CROPS
WILL
GROW!

HOORAY!

AL-
RIGHT

IT WAS THE
TENDER,
CARING
RAIN...



WHY ARE
YOU CRYING
ON SUCH A
JOYOUS OC-
CASION?



OH
MY
GIRL...

THAT A
SINGLE
SHAMAN HAD
MADE FALL.

THE CHEERS
OF THE
PEOPLE
ECHOED INTO
THE SKY.

Howay!

NOTHING AT ALL

IT'S NOTHING...

OH...

Howay!

.....

MOST OF
THE TOOLS
IN THIS
HOUSE USED
TO BELONG
TO HIM.

AFTER
THAT,
I
BOUGHT
OUT THE
HOUSE
WHERE
HE HAD
LIVED IN
SECRET.

SO I BEGAN
RESEARCHING
CURSES.

I WANTED
TO
FOLLOW IN
HIS FOOT-
STEPS.

HOW COULD A
MEETING
LIKE THAT EVEN
HAPPEN?

IT'S ALMOST
TOO PERFECT,
EVEN FOR A
MIRACLE.

"HE WHO
WALKS FOR-
WARD AND
BREAKS THE
CHAINS" ...
DIDN'T IT FIT
HIM A BIT TOO
PERFECTLY?"

HIS
NAME
WAS
YUKUSA-
RI

AND
HIS
NAME...
AGAIN,
ALMOST
TOO PER-
FECT...



THAT'S
WHY I BELIEVE
THAT THAT MEET-
ING MUST HAVE
BEEN DESTINY.



THAT'S WHY
I CONTINUE
MY RE-
SEARCH.

I WANT TO
ACCOMPLISH
WHATEVER
TASK FATE
HAS IN
STORE FOR
ME.



GETTING
HIT BY
THE RAIN.

IT
FEELS
NICE.

IS
SOME-
THING
THE
MATTER?



HIGH-
SAMP
IT'S
RAINING
OUTSIDE.



THIS IS SO
MUCH FUN. I
SHOULD HAVE
DONE IT
BEFORE.

I
ALWAYS
WANTED
TO TRY
THIS



IT
REALLY IS
A LOT OF
FUN.

...YES,



THANK
YOU...

HIBIKI-
SAN...



THANK
YOU VERY
MUCH.

THIS
FEELS
NICE.

AH...

I'M SURE THAT
WILL LEAD ME TO
WHATEVER DUTY
FATE HAS IN
STORE FOR ME.

I'M SURE
I TOO WILL HAVE
TO GIVE MY LIFE
FOR MY
MAGIC...

SOMEHOW,
WHEN I KNOW
MY PURPOSE,

A
CURSED
MAGIC, JUST
LIKE YOU
USED...

FOR ME.

WHEN THAT
HAPPENS.

PLEASE CRY.

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